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Building Site Fund Continues to Grow—Now \$115,000.

At the third joint meeting of the Citizens' and Alumni Committees last Monday night additional subscriptions to the amount of \$14,995 were reported. To make it an even \$15,000 Mr. John B. Larner, who has already contributed most liberally and is one of the most zealous workers for the cause, quietly sent up a five-dollar bill.

An appeal to the citizens of the city and a statement of facts about the University, prepared by an Executive Committee, was read by Mr. A. H. Snow and adopted. This is to be distributed as widely as possible. Its substance is as follows:

"Generally, therefore, the reasons of this movement are: That there is, and since the foundation of the Government has been, a recognized need which was clearly felt and pointed out by Washington, of a great university at the National Capital, to fulfill certain great and beneficent functions in the life of the people of the whole country, which are now more or less clearly understood and which can by deliberation be formulated; and that the George Washington University is fitted to be that university.

"Generally, also, therefore, the objects of this movement are to develop and establish the George Washington University, by the private benefactions of the people of the whole country, as a university to fulfill those beneficent functions which Washington and his associates would have wished such a university to fulfill, and to meet this recognized need."

A stirring and able address was made by Rabbi Abram Simon. Since Secretary Charles D. Walcott, of the Smithsonian Institution, was unable to speak on account of illness, Rev. Wallace Radcliffe spoke, making a plea for a national university, not dependent on the Government for aid or control, and distinctly non-sectarian, but religious. Dr. E. E. Brown, Commissioner of Education, spoke briefly.

Dr. Mitchell Carroll announced

that the total of the fund at the time of the last announcement was \$103,245. Since then the new subscriptions are:

E. G. Portner, \$2,500; Parker, Bridget & Co., \$1,000; estate Jas. L. Barbour, \$500; Charles D. Walcott, \$500; Joseph Strasburger, \$500; Hecht & Co., \$500; Dr. Sterling Ruffin, \$250; William Hahn, \$250; J. H. Gore, \$250; W. S. Carroll, \$200; name withheld, \$100; Martin A. Knapp, \$100; Thomas A. Claytor, \$100; H. T. A. Lemon, \$50; Dr. Frank Baker, \$100; H. C. C. Stiles, \$100; Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Altschue, \$100; J. E. Mulane, \$100; Philip F. Larner, \$100; name withheld, \$1,000; John C. Heald, \$250; William H. Baldwin, \$100; Dr. A. T. Ramsay, \$100; Dr. V. B. Jackson, \$50; Rabbi Simon, \$100; Monroe Hopkins, \$250; D. A. Chambers, \$200; John B. Larner (additional), \$5; Student fund, \$1,800.

The next joint meeting will take place at the New Willard on Monday evening, March 18th. It was voted that both men and women friends of the University be invited to the meeting on March 25th.

Final and Deciding Basket-Ball Game.

The "rubber" basket-ball game will be played with Georgetown Saturday night in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. The two games already played have been very close and exciting, there being a difference of only two points in each game, George Washington winning the first and Georgetown the second. If there is anything in intense interest, this game will draw a record-breaking crowd. Each team is determined to win this game, so as to clinch the series.

Our team must have the students there to support it by their cheering. There is no doubt that the result would have been different in the last game had the Georgetown rooters not so completely drowned what little cheering the few George Washington rooters did, that it could not reach the ears of our players.

Go to this game if you never go to another.

Freshman Relay Wins and 'Varsity Loses.

At the indoor meet of Georgetown University in Convention Hall last Saturday night the Freshman relay team duplicated the performance of last year's Freshman team and defeated the Georgetown in a well run race. The team won easily and had room to spare at the finish. Brame led out and finished several feet ahead of his man. Field also ran a strong race and added more to the lead received by him. Birney was in a class with his mates and opened up the growing gap between him and the Georgetown man. Covell took up the last relay with such speed and spirit that it was soon evident that it would be simply a matter of how much he would beat his man. When he crossed the line the other runner was struggling far behind. The time was 2 minutes 53 1-5 seconds.

The Varsity was not in good form and lost to Fordham in a very fast race, the time being 2 seconds faster than the Virginia-Georgetown relay. The Fordham team is composed of strong, well-trained runners that would have been formidable antagonists for any team in the Hall that night. Lorando ran his usual strong, fast race, that would have won the event had his antagonist not been given such a long lead by the runner before him. Clagget and Gunning held their own with their men, but Gill's man proved a very speedy one and opened up several yards by the time the tape was crossed, which Lorando cut down considerably, but not enough to win. The time was 2:42 3-5.

Jack Sterrett proved by far the best pole vaulter in the meet, as he has done in many others, but he labored under a very heavy handicap, placed upon him by the extraordinary record he has made in the last two years, a handicap that seemed a little beyond the limit. While he vaulted 10 feet 6 inches and the next man 10 feet 3 inches, yet he was given second place, since his handicap was 5 inches. First place was given to B. Nelker, C. Y. M. C. A., and third to A.

Charrington, E. H. S., who went 9 feet 6 inches.

Georgetown's relay defeated Virginia in a very close and exciting finish, the time being 2:44 3-5. Pennsylvania easily won the two-mile relay from Cornell in the time of 7:42. W. W. Coe, the famous shot-putter of the University of Michigan, broke the record by putting the 12-pound shot 55 feet. The high jump went to A. C. Randolph, of Virginia, whose excellent jumping was greeted with applause by the spectators, when he made the height of 5 feet 8 inches.

Ball Elected Football Manager.

E. M. Ball, College '08, was elected football manager for the '07 team in last Friday's election by a large majority. Mr. Ball was assistant manager last year, and did a great deal of work, thus gaining valuable experience for his position next year. Since the season closed he has been making up next year's schedule; in fact, performing the office of manager. Therefore, it was very fitting that he should have been made manager, and the choice of the students was a most wise one. Mr. Ball's popularity and the confidence of his fellow students is evidenced by the overwhelming vote cast for him. In his hands the efficient management of last year will be fully equaled.

The other candidates were good men and would have made thoroughly capable managers, but Mr. Ball's experience in the office gave him a decided advantage over his competitors.

The vote was as follows:

	Law	College	Medical	Pharm'y	Total
			& Dental		
Ball	108	266	15		389
Fair	15	56	85		156
Horgan	11	10	93	13	127
Total	134	332	193	13	672

Meeting of French Club.

The French Club will meet on Friday evening, March 15th, at 8 o'clock, in room I. Students and graduates interested in French are invited to attend.

Cornell has dropped Princeton from her baseball schedule and substituted Harvard.



Beautiful Trophy Won by the George Washington Rifle Club at Sea Girt Received.

The University has just received from the National Rifle Association of America the beautiful intercollegiate trophy won by a team representing George Washington at the rifle meet held last August at Sea Girt, N. J.

The contest was open to teams of five men each from the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, and any university for males. It was stipulated that competitors must be matriculated students in good standing, certificate of which must be furnished, signed by the head of the institution, with the provision that graduates shall remain eligible until the first of October following their graduation.

The ranges were 200, 300 and 500 yards, seven shots by each competitor at each distance.

First prize was the intercollegiate trophy, to be held by the institution represented by the winning team for one year, when it will be returned to the custody of the National Rifle Association, a medal for each team member and \$25.00. Second prize of \$10.00.

The George Washington Rifle Club, from whose membership the University team was selected, was organized in April, 1906. In less than a month their president, Mr. Jackson Morris, arranged a match with the rifle club of Cornell University, and on May 19 the G. W. R. C. placed the "Buff and Blue" above the "Red and White." The team in this match was made up as

follows: Levi Cook, L. G. Shelton, Marshall Magruder, A. E. Johnson and Jackson Morris.

Encouraged by this victory, the club immediately took steps to be represented at the meet at Sea Girt, and began practice with the determination to bring back the intercollegiate trophy.

The trophy is ours and upon its silver page we read the names of the team and their score:

Jackson Morris	97
Marshall Magruder	93
Sheridan Ferree	72
Charles Bowker	71
Arthur E. Johnson	63
Total	400

This tells the score, but it does not tell the story of the match, nor of the splendid work done by the team under the most adverse conditions which won unstinted praise from hundreds of expert riflemen representing every State in the Union.

Under the conditions the University must return the trophy to the custody of the N. R. A., to be shot for at the meet to be held from August 19 to 24, 1907, at Port Clinton, Ohio. The Rifle Club is anxious to bring it back and again place upon its pages the seal of our University.

The interest in the trophy is growing and each year it will be a little more difficult to win. The contest this year promises to be a spirited one, and it will require the skill of the very best shots that we can develop to add another to our list of victories. It is hoped and expected that every man of the

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University who has any skill with the rifle will answer to the call of the Rifle Club and "try out" for a place on the team.

If possible the club will send a team to compete for the intercollegiate trophy offered by the Seventh Regiment of New York, to be shot for at Creedmore, New York, this coming June. Already Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Cornell and Princeton have promised to enter teams in this contest.

Rifle shooting is rapidly taking a place among the college sports, and interscholastic and intercollegiate matches have come to be a fixed and growing feature in all shooting tournaments.

The trophy, costing \$250, is on exhibition in the President's reception room, where it may be seen.

Debate With North Carolina.

Arrangements for the debate between the George Washington University and the University of North Carolina will soon be completed. The date has been fixed as April 12th, and as the debate will take place in this city it is important for our students to do their share in making it known throughout the city. North Carolina has a fine record in debating. She is rapidly forging to the front in this field of activity among the universities of the South, and the contest is therefore likely to prove a very even one. This, moreover, is the only intercollegiate debate which will take place this year in Washington, as well as the first meeting of this kind between these two institutions.

The team, consisting of Hindman and Couden, both of 1908 Law, with Van Vleck, of 1908 College, as alternate, may be relied upon to give a good account of itself. The question for debate is one of general interest and of up-to-date importance: "Resolved, That the ownership and operation of interstate railways by the Federal Government would subserve the best interests of the people." Now it is up to the students to do their part in the matter of advertising the debate and selling and buying tickets. We must make a good impression on the boys from North Carolina. They come from a region in which the University is not as widely known as it ought to be. From now on, then, keep open the date of April 12th and persuade your friends to do likewise. The coach and the team may be depended upon not to permit a break in the long string of victories that have been achieved during the past two years.

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Needham Debating Society.

At its meeting last Friday evening the Needham Debating Society had under discussion the question, "Resolved, That the Government should have the right to appeal by writ of error in criminal cases."

It was confidently expected that the audience would be treated to a clear exposition of the constitutional side of the question, but instead the affirmative limited the resolution to about this: "Resolved, That the trusts should be busted." The poor negative side was thus forced to wander aimlessly among the cobwebs of dusty proverbs and citations of judicial oratory. To add to the confusion, the judges assumed that the constitution did not enter into the question at all, and having in mind that their butcher bills had shown a heavenward tendency, they gave the affirmative their decision.

In the general discussion the members engaged in a spirited word-war over the true construction of the question, with no result. Vice-president Stein, on behalf of the Executive Committee, reported that the Enosinian Society had submitted the question for their debate with Needham. It was read as follows:

"Resolved, That the ownership and operation of street railroads in municipalities of the United States having a population of over 40,000 would subserve the best interests of those municipalities."

The Needham Society has chosen to uphold the affirmative side and announces that trials for the team will occur on next Friday night, March 15th.

Y. W. C. A.

Eleven to twelve on Wednesdays has been chosen for the hour of the class in Bible study. The first meeting of the class was held on March 6th. Miss Ellis gave an informal talk. All members of the Y. W. C. A. are urged to join the class.

A business meeting of the Association was held Wednesday afternoon at 4:30. The matter discussed was the giving of a lunch by the Y. W. C. A. about the first of April. The lunch is to be for the benefit of the girls' reception room. A representative of each class has been appointed to secure the services of the girls who are willing to support the proposed plan.

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For a University Book Store.

About a year ago Professor Veditz made a suggestion that the University establish a book store for the benefit of the students. Professor Veditz has had occasion to investigate the workings of a number of stores at various universities and has found that they can be operated with entire success and profit to the students.

The views and suggestions of the students are now asked to the proposal to establish a book store in the University, where the student may get any book used in the University, in many instances at a slightly less cost than they are now bought in the city stores, and where second-hand books may be sold for more than they bring by the present arrangement. The profits arising from the sales of the store will be used for two purposes—first, to pay some student a reasonable salary to take charge of the store, and,

second, the remaining profit will be devoted to some University interest that is closely connected with the students, such as furnishing medals for honors, debating interests, or some such phase of student activity. Such an arrangement would be to the advantage of the students in several respects. The salary paid to the one in the store will perhaps largely defray his college expenses; the books can be obtained with much less inconvenience and at a less cost, as has been exemplified in recent sales of law books, especially, and then the surplus profits will come back to the student in the shape of assisting whatever University enterprise it may be devoted to.

The students are urged to express their ideas on the project. The columns of THE HATCHET are open to all.

Columbian Debating Society.

At the earnest solicitation of a majority of those present at the debate last Friday night the Executive Committee of the Society has promised not to propose any more such harrowing subjects as the resolution discussed that evening, to-wit, that the Federal Government should regulate or prohibit the transportation for purposes of interstate commerce of the products of child labor. As pointed out by the critic, the affirmative were quick to retrieve their error of starting out on the theory that "everybody works but father," by including "mother" among the industrial derelicts. Having discarded the popular ballad about the delinquent father, the affirmative got down to work and painted excruciatingly vivid pictures of small, scantily clad children out in the biting cold picking, with bleeding frost-bitten hands, the slate from streams of coal gliding their sinuous way like the proverbial "greased pig" between the bare, reed-like legs of the urchins, while all the time the pater and mater familiae were placidly inhaling the smoke of the fragrant weed before a glowing hearth. The negative were not inclined to dispute the iniquity of the mater's smoking, but opposed to this the injustice of any regulation or prohibition which would operate alike on the different sections of the country in which entirely differing conditions prevail. For instance, said the third speaker for the negative, in my state (South Dakota) there is no child labor. Now, continued he, the gentlemen of the affirmative would have a Federal supervision which would affect the products of child labor from my state the same as those from the state of West Virginia.

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This speech reminded the critic of the remarks of Mr. Dooley on the subject of war. Speaking to his friend Hennessey, he said, "If ever I had a desire to go to war—and I never did—it has departed from me long since." The idea of a supervision where there is nothing to supervise seemed so bootless to the judges that they decided that there could be nothing in the contentions of the affirmative, and accordingly rendered their decision for the negative. First honors were awarded to Mr. R. I. Moore '07, and second honors to Mr. A. C. Agnew '07.

Engineering Department.

Owing to the recent sale of Van Ness Park and to the present doubts as to the location of the University next year, affairs in the improvement of the Engineering Department are necessarily at somewhat of a standstill. The elaborate improvements in the Hydraulic Laboratory, which have been recently projected, have been discontinued. The Engineering School will, however, be located at Van Ness Park until the end of this term when the site will be turned over to the Government.

Pennsylvania defeated both Columbia and Cornell last Friday in a triangular debate, having the affirmative against the former and the negative against the latter. The question was, "Resolved, That immigration should be further restricted by an educational test."

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Class in Oratory.

Attention is again called to the class that has been organized in oratory, under charge of Mr. Robert Hickman. Mr. Hickman, who has been selected by the faculty as a person suitable to give instruction in this subject, which is of such peculiar importance to law students, has already shown that his work is highly effective. Instruction is given to the class in oratory in connection with the University Congress, which has been reorganized with reference to Mr. Hickman's work. All students who can possibly arrange to join this class are earnestly urged to do so.

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Pi Beta Phi.

On Tuesday night, March 5th, Professor Peters, of the U. S. Naval Observatory, gave a lecture on the "Solar Eclipse Expedition to Sumatra," upon the invitation of the Washington Alumnae Association of Pi Beta Phi. The lecture, which was very interesting as well as instructive, was given in the College Assembly Hall to an audience of about 75 persons. Refreshments were served during the latter part of the evening. West Hall was decorated for the reception of the guests with the fraternity colors and banners.

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The old Enosinian Society, although the oldest society in the University, showed itself still in the vigor of its prime and up to the times Wednesday evening, March 6th, the 85th anniversary of the Society's founding, when it appropriated \$20 to the new building fund. All the other societies should take notice and go and do likewise.

The Enosinian Society held its regular bi-weekly meeting Friday evening, March 8th. The meeting was well attended and was peculiarly interesting in that the new constitution was put into operation for the first time. The debate was on the question, "Resolved, That immigration to the United States should be further restricted." The affirmative was upheld by Miss Barbour and Messrs. Baer and Marsh; the negative by Messrs. Seiler, Curl and Waterman. The judges returned a unanimous decision in favor of the affirmative, and the vote of the Society upheld the decision of the judges.

Miss Barbour read an interesting number of the *News*. The next meeting will be held on March 22d, when the regular election of officers will take place.

Delegates to Y. M. C. A. Conference.

The University Y. M. C. A. took another step forward in its progress last Saturday by sending three delegates to the Student Y. M. C. A. and Student Volunteer Conference of Maryland, Delaware and the District at Johns Hopkins University. Messrs. Gates, Marsh and Van Vleck were selected as delegates and each will render a report at the regular Y. M. C. A. chapel on Friday morning, March 15th. All the Association men and all the friends of the Association are urged to be present.

Baseball Candidates Out.

The candidates for diamond honors had a brief seance last week at Van Ness Park, which the present snow bids fair to put a stop to for some time. It is too early to get much of a line on the men, but prospects look pretty good.

Those out so far are: Captain Titus, Stevenson, Senior, Carr, Ruiz, Bryan, Gillespie, Biddle, Warner, Orrison, Brookes, Moore, Whiting and Gately. The first game is scheduled for the 18th, but things look bad at present.

Hon. H. St. George Tucker lectured to the students of Princeton last Friday on "The Jamestown Exposition."

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Y. M. C. A.

The new officers of the University Y. M. C. A. for the year 1907 were installed at the first meeting of the Association for the present year, Friday, March 1. Mr. Ernest Eaton, Columbian College, 1910, the new President, called the meeting to order, and the new officers, Vice-president, Mr. Marshall Magruder, Columbian College, '08; Secretary, Mr. Hadley Marsh, '08, Columbian College; Treasurer, Mr. Ernest Mechlin, '07, Columbian College, were installed. The new President made a report of the condition of the Association and briefly outlined the proposed plans for the rest of the year. A motion was also made and carried to hold a regular meeting of the Association Cabinet every month.

It is well to call the attention of the men of the University to the progress that the Y. M. C. A. has made during the year of its existence. At the close of the last academic year its membership was very small, but since that time it has increased to its present enrollment of thirty-two members. The work of the Association was inaugurated by a public meeting in University Hall, at which Mr. Fred B. Smith, of New York, the well-known Y. M. C. A. orator, and Mr. S. M. Woodward, President of the local Y. M. C. A., spoke. On Thursday, Dec. 6th, the Association inaugurated what is to be an annual function of University life—a banquet to the men of the University. At this banquet President Needham, Dean Wilbur and Mr. Fred B. Smith made speeches, and the large number of men who were present voted it a marked success. The Association's religious work has been divided into two classes—Bible study and religious meetings. A Bible class has been organized which meets every Thursday at 12:30 in room 17, and ten others are to be formed during the rest of the year. These Bible classes are in reality Bible study clubs, not under a teacher, but presided over by a leader, and there is absolutely free and open discussion on topics of interest to men. Every Friday morning at 9 a. m. there is a chapel meeting in West Hall which is under the auspices of the Association and to which all the men of the University are cordially invited. Within the next two months there will be a public meeting in University Hall.

This movement of the Y. M. C. A. deserves the support of every man in the University. Every great university in the country has an active association and these organizations are an important factor

in the creation and maintenance of college spirit. The men in the Y. M. C. A. aim to make it one of the agents toward the growth of University spirit and ask the support of every student.

Egyptian Students in the University.

Last week several newspapers in this city and throughout the country contained items to the effect that next fall three full-blooded Egyptians would be enrolled in the George Washington University as students in the new College of the Political Sciences. One of them is already here and has filed his application with Dean Veditz. He is a son of the Attorney General of Egypt, Macsoud Pasha, one of the most distinguished diplomats of the Nile country, who has been in the public service of his country for twenty-seven years. Macsoud the younger came first to this country at the time of the St. Louis Exposition and his father was then so favorably impressed that he decided to have his son educated in the United States. After his recent arrival the young man hesitated between Yale and George Washington, and finally decided in favor of the latter because of its superior location and its exceptional facilities for training in the political sciences under the proposed reorganization of the department of politics and diplomacy. He intends to enter the diplomatic service. Two of his countrymen, and perhaps three, who are now studying in England, are also expected here in the fall.

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"Playing the Game."

It is claimed that no comedy of recent years has equaled the brilliancy of language and situations of Cleveland Moffett and Hartley Davis' latest effort, "Playing the Game," which is the vehicle of Joseph and William W. Jefferson this season. It will be remembered the great success these two favored sons of the late Mr. Joseph Jefferson made in Sheridan's "The Rivals," which was always in the repertoire of the elder Jefferson.

James K. Hackett in "The Walls of Jericho."

The attraction at the Columbia Theater next week will be Mr. James K. Hackett, one of the most popular players on the American stage, who will be seen in a modern society play entitled "The Walls of Jericho." This drama has the distinction of having been played for two entire seasons in London, for six months in New York, and four weeks in Chicago, where it has met with unanimous praise, not only the press and the public, but of the pulpit as well.

"The Battle of Too-Soon."

Next week at Chase's the eight polite vaudeville attractions will comprise Gallagher and Barrett in the military travesty, "The Battle of Too-Soon"; Julia Sanderson, the prima donna, late of "The Tourists"; Estelle Wordette and company, in "A Honeymoon in the Catskills"; Ben Welch, the character comedian; the Musical Johnsons, xylophonic experts; Lee Tung Foo, the Chinese barytone; William Selbini and Jeannette Grovini, in eccentric abrobatics, and the motion pictures.

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